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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Kiran Ganesh et al. Examiner: Phallaka Kik  
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VLSI DESIGN

**PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a five-month extension of time be granted in which to file the Appeal Brief ; Notice of Appeal mailed December 26, 2003, said period of response being extended from February 26, 2003 to July 26, 2003.

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